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Intellectual Property Application of: Carl E. Fabian
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For: **RADIOPAQUE MARKER FOR A SURGICAL SPONGE**
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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

In response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2007, the following remarks are respectfully submitted.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

A Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 by the inventor, Carl E. Fabian, is appended following page 20 of this paper.

This response is also accompanied by a petition filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for a one-month extension of the time for reply to the aforementioned Office Action dated November 29, 2007, and the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) for said petition. The November 29 Office Action set a shortened statutory period of three months for a reply, which was thus due by February 29, 2008. It is submitted that the foregoing extension by one month renders the present submission timely.